



Community Meetings

Lubbock Area Client Council meets on the 2nd Saturday, 1:00 pm at the Patterson Branch Library, 1836 Parkway Drive.

- * Hub City Kiwanis meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7 p. m., Mt. Vernon UMC, East 23rd & Cedar Avenue
- * Dunbar Alumni Association meets 2nd Saturdays, 4:00 pm.
- Booker T. W Washington American Legion, Post 808, meets every 2nd Tuesday at 7:30 pm, American Legion Building in Yellowhouse Canyon.
- Forgotten West Riders meets on the 1st & 3rd Mondays, 7:00 pm, Patterson Branch Library.
- * East Lubbock Chapter AARP meets every 1st Thursday at 1:00 pm, Great Saint Luke Missionary Baptist Church.
- * Lubbock Chapter of Black Alumni meets every 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 pm, TTU Market Alumni Center.
- * Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Association meets every 1st Thursday at 7:00 pm and every 4th Thursday at 7:00 pm at the Dunbar Manhattan Heights Neighborhood Outreach Center. 1301 E. 24th Street.
- * West Texas Native American Association Pot Luck Supper meets on alternating months prior to meeting, meetings held on 2nd Saturdays of each month at 7:00 pm, Educational presentations and demonstrations.
- * The Unified Juneteenth Commission of Lubbock meets every Monday evening at Patterson Library, 1834 Parkway Drive, beginning at 6:00 p. m.
- * West Texas Chapter of 100 Black Men of West Texas meets 3rd Monday evenings at 7:00 pm at Lanier Center, 2nd Floor, TTU Law Center.
- * The Parkway & Cherry-Point Neighborhood Association meets the 3rd Tuesday evenings, 7:30 pm at Hunt Elementary School.
- * Chatman Hill Neighborhood Association meets 2nd Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm at Iles Elementary Cafeteria.

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Commissioner "Bubba" Sedeno **Rallies Democrats At Convention**



Commissioner Lorenzo "Bubba" Sedeno

Democratic Party received a we should be silent on issues bock County Commissioner Lorenzo "Bubba" Sedeno as he told them with enthusiasm of what they should be doing for the Democratic Party during the 2014 County Convention on Saturday, March 22, 2014, at Cavazos Middle School.

"The partisan lines have been drawn, and candidates on both sides are working hard and looking for a win in November, 2014," he said.

"Now that the lines are set, it should to be an exciting spring, summer and fall in Texas politics," said Sedeno. But he cau-

The delegates of the Lubbock tioned those Democrats "who motivating speech from Lub- during this convention, but I say we shouldn't!, continued the Lubbock Commissioner.

> "I cannot stand by and be disrespected by Ted Nugent and his Republican political rhetoric," shouted Sedeno. "It's a sad time in Texas when the Republican candidate for governor in this great state of ours embraces this mess at his campaign events."

> "I would like say to Ted Nugent and the people in Texas that he is campaigning for ---Women Politicians aren't Fat said Commissioner Pigs," Sedeno. "I would like to say to Ted Nugent and the people in

Texas that he is campaigning for -- Immigrants Should Not Be Treated Like Indentured Ser-

"Last but not least, I would like to say to Ted Nugent, 'The President of The United States of America, Mr. Barack Obama, is not a sub-human Mongrel," continued Sedeno.

"Ladies and Gentlemen, in Texas, we do not need politics of division and hatred. Texans deserve better!", he said.

"Texans should not vote for a candidate who aligns himself with someone like Ted Nugent," Sedeno made clear.

"There are some who say that I should be silent, but I am not!!, he continued.

"Just look at the current Texas Republican T.V. and radio advertizements; so much hatred," he made known. Continuing, he said, "Most of them (advertisements) say -- 'I am going to secure our border and I will continue to fight Obama!"

Speaking with much energy, Commissioner Sedeno asked: Do they think we are stupid? "They may be fighting Obama, but to me they are losing", he

"They can try and secure our borders, but we are here already and we are not going no where!!! continued S Sedeno.

"Yes, Democrats, the time has arrived in Texas for the Democratic Party to get out to vote," said Mr. Sedeno.

"Again there are some who say that we should be silent on issues during this convention, but I say, we shouldn't!, he said. "We as Democrats have always fought hard for what is not fail," he made clear. "I am a Democrat!! I think right and just. We must continue

Mona Wilson

Wilson Named All-State

Wrestler In Austin

was represented at State by junior Mona Wilson. She finished 5th

at State in her weight division, and Mona is the first All-State

ALL STATE WRESTLER: The Estacado Girls Wrestling team

the fight, because we care deeply about our principles and purposes," he said. "And yes, my fellow Democrats, we have to fight harder and not cower down to the messy politics of those right winged Let's win!!!" Republicans! We cannot be

"Democrats, our time has come. The time is now. We must

silent!" he insisted.

Wrestler from Estacado High School.

Jesus was a Democrat!! I think Jesus was a Democrat, because he rode a donkey, and not an Elephant!! We as Democrats can ride a donkey in November and vote for Wendy Davis and the Democratic ticket in November.

Kenny Kenter is Lubbock County Democrat Chair. "We will win this fall," Kenter said.

Usher Annual Day Set At St. Matthew Baptist Church



Rev. D. Newman

There will be a great celebration at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, on Sunday afternoon, April 13, 2014. It will be the



Golden Voices

Usher's Annual Day. The celebration will begin at 3:00 p. m. Guest speaker will be Rev. D. Newman, Mt. Olive Baptist Church in Slaton, Texas, where

Rev. C. C. Peoples is pastor. Music guest will be "Golden Voices."

The City is invited to worship with St. Matthew!

Estacado High School Students Capture 1st Place In Rated Chess Competition



RATED CHESS CHAMPIONS: The Estacado Rated Chess team competed in the Scholastic Chess Championships. The team of Zack Ramos, Issac Gardea and Jesus Tafoya captured 1st place in the Rated Team Division

Mentor Tech's Annual Banquet **Features Bill Cosby**



Bill Cosby

Comedic icon, actor and author Bill Cosby will give the keynote speech during the Lauro Cavazos & Ophelia Powell-Malone Mentoring Program (Mentor Tech) annual banquet at 7 p.m. April 22 at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center Banquet Hall.

Cosby has captivated generations of fans with his comedy routines, iconic albums and bestselling books such as Fatherhood. Cosby broke television's racial barrier with I Spy, becoming the first African-American to costar on a television series

while winning three consecutive Emmys. He created and produced the Emmy-winning cartoon Fat Albert and the Cosby Kids, which began airing in the 1970s and was made into a film in 2004. The show, based on Cosby's childhood in Philadelphia, was designed to educate and entertain.

The former Navy serviceman's list of accomplishments includes roles on the children's educational show Electric Company and creating and producing

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Jorge Sanchez



Cicely Alexander

Two New Principals Named In Lubbock Public Schools

Lubbock ISD Trustees named master's degree from Tech. new principals for two elementary campuses at their meeting today. Jorge Sanchez was named principal of Harwell Elementary for the 2014-15 school year and Cicely Alexander was named principal for Whiteside Elemen-

Sanchez is currently the assistant principal at Harwell and Jackson Elementary Schools. He is a graduate of Texas Tech University and also received his

Sanchez joined Lubbock ISD in 1995 as a Spanish teacher and athletic coach.

Cicely Alexander is a graduate of Texas Tech University, earning both her bachelor's and master's degrees from Tech. Currently the assistant principal at Smith Elementary, Alexander began her teaching career in Lubbock ISD in 1996. She is also a certified school counselor.

Federation of Choirs Celebrated 60th Anniversary March 23rd

With the theme of "Break recognition. A Memorial was Every Chain," the Federation of Choirs celebrated 60 years of dedicated service on Sunday afternoon, March 23, 2014, at the Greate St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church, where Rev. J. H. Ford is pastor.

"Isn't this the fast I chose: To break the chains of wickedness, to untie the ropes of the yoke, to set the oppressed free, and to tear off every yoke." Isaiah 55:6.

After the processional of the Federation of Choirs, a praise and worship was done. A welcome was given by Sister JaNette Cage who also gave a brief hisory and gave special

given to deceased members of the Federation of Choirs.

A very emotional presentation was given by Brother Thomas Payton who sung a medley of songs which were sung by deceased members.

Among the musical selections sung were: "Come Into This House," "I Stepped Out," led by Sister Linda Hightower, "Seen Too Many Victories," led by Brother Bobby Price, ""I Never Lost My Praise," led by Sister ident, gave brief remarks and Janette Williams, and "When Praises Go Up."

Singing was also done by Sister Shirley Davis, which was

United FamilyTM Stores to Help "Take a Bite Out of HungerTM" This Week with Annual Apples Donation to Local Food Bank

For the third year in a row, United Family™ stores will help serve the hungry in their local communities by donating more than 30,000 pounds of apples to five local food banks in their trade areas.

This includes 7,200 pounds to the South Plains Food Bank, which is expected to arrive on Friday (March 28).

The donation signals the company's committed participation in the Take a Bite Out of Hunger™ program sponsored by FirstFruits Marketing of Washington. FirstFruits created the Take a Bite out of Hunger™ campaign to help feed the underserved while bringing attention to the problem of food insecurity in the United States.

Through the program, United has provided almost 115,000 pounds of apples to area food banks during the past three years.

"So often we hear that food banks are in such need of fresh produce on their shelves," said Joseph Bunting, produce business manager The United Family™. "Take a Bite Out of Hunger allows us to support our communities and provide them with items they may not otherwise have access to."

Apple donations also will arrive this week at Food Bank of West Central Texas, Abilene; High Plains Food Bank, Amarillo; Tarrant Area Food Bank, Fort Worth; and Wichita Falls

"Break Every Chain," which was sung during the Invitation To Discipleship.

Sister Janette Williams, presthanked everyone for being in attendance.

The next meeting of the Federation of Choirs will be held Sunday afternoon, April 27, 2014, at Community Baptist Church, beginning at 2:30 p. m. Rev. Larry Brooks is host pastor.

The purpose of the Federation of Choirs is to sing and fellowship with each of the churches who joined in 1954.

The first president of the Federation of Choirs was Mr. Oscar Iles, who served until his death in 1981.

Other presidents have been Mr. Arlee Jackson, 1981 until 2005; Mrs. Bennie Sims, 2005 until 2012; Ms. Janette Williams, from 2013 until pres-

The Federation o Choirs meet the 4th Sunday of each month, with exception of May and December if it conflicts with graduation and the Christmas holidays.

Area Food Bank, Wichita Falls.

Hunger isn't just about being hungry. It's also about food insecurity, or not having regular access to safe, affordable and nutritious foods. In 2010, 15 percent of all U.S. households were food-insecure. Of those, 33 percent were children, 96 percent reported that the food they bought just did not last and they did not have money to get more, and 94 percent reported that they

could not afford to eat balanced meals.

We take great pride in con-Tunying this program year after year, Yemarked Dennis Jackson, category manager of FirstFruits of Washington. "It truly is an honor to help our retail partners like United Supermarkets make a difference in their communi-

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The company is a whollyowned subsidiary of Albertson's

Public Housing Waiting List Opening

Lubbock Housing Authority will open the following waiting list on March 3, 2014 and close the waiting lists on April 9, 2014:

2, 3, 4, and 5 Bedroom units; as well as elderly 1 Bedroom (62 years and above).

Application Process is required!!!

Application packets may be picked up at the Lubbock Housing Authority Central Office located at 1708 Crickets, Lubbock TX, 79401, during regular business hours!

Completed applications may be returned to the above address, Monday-Wednesday between the hours of 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM. This is a walk in interview and you will be seen in the order that you come in. Applications outside of these dates will not be accepted. The following documents will be required at the time of interview:

All information is required at the time of the interview, we must have original documents no copies will be accepted.

Make sure you bring:

Make sure that you bring your application completed and signed. (No Blanks) Birth certificates for all children (Birth facts will not be accepted!) Social security cards for everyone in household.

Current picture ID/DL for all adults in household are required at the time of the interview,

All adults must attend this appointment! If you or other adults cannot attend interview due to working or attending school, you must contact the Intake department to see if accommodations can be made for an interview outside the scheduled interview dates!

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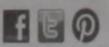


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We Thank God for Jesus

"Jesus Will Clean Temples Today!"

Written by Evangelist Billy "BJ" Morrison, III

Isaiah 6:5 - Woe is me! For I am undone, because I am a in the midst of a people with unclean lips.

LORD, WE can think of SOME FILTHY THINGS. The DEVIL just gives them to US; they enter OUR BRAINS.

(BUT - it was JESUS' HEAD THEY PUT A CROWN OF THORNS ON, AND THERE WAS PAIN. HE took away all OUR EXCUSES; TO CLEAN OUR BRAINS!!!)

LORD, OUR EYES wonder every time a WOMAN'S HIPS PASS BY. WE LOSE OUR TEMPLE, AND ALL OUR EXCUSES - THAT WE SHOULDN'T LUST!!!)

LORD, WE have trouble with OUR MOUTH. WE CUSS AND LIE. WE LOSE OUR TEMPLE, AND LIE TO GET BY!!!

(BUT - it was JESUS' MOUTH THEY SLAPPED; BECAUSE OF OUR BAD WORDS. OUT OF HIS MOUTH -- NEVER WAS GUILE EVER HEARD!!!)

IT was OUR HANDS THAT STOLE THINGS. WE WERE THE THIEF. WE'RE **ALWAYS TAKING THINGS** THAT DONT BELONG TO YOU AND ME!!!

(BUT - IT were JESUS' HANDS THEY NAILED TO THE TREE - TO TAKE AWAY ALL OF OUR EXE-CUSES. AND ON THAT CROSS - IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN YOU AND I!!!)

John 3:16 - Jesus said, for man of unclean lips, and I dwell God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

***** JESUS IS CLEAN-ING CHURCH TEMPLES TODAY ALSO!!! *****

Ecclesiastes 1:9 - The thing that has been - it is that which shall be -- and that which is done is that which shall be done; and there is no new thing under the

JESUS knows the GAME --THAT IS PLAYED ON THE PEOPLE - in the TEMPLE on the corner, where there is A BIG STEEPLE!!!)

They have PASTORS AND WIVES ANNIVERSARIES THE HOUSE OF PRAYER. They think THIS IS GOD'S WORK, BUT GOD'S BLESSINGS ARE THERE!!!

Isaiah 56:10-11 - The Lord

said, My watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant; they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping lying down, loving to slumber. Yes, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shepherds that cannot understand; they all look to their own way, everyone for his gain, from his quarter (4 - quarters comes ANNIVER-SARIES!!!)

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II Samuel 12:14a - Because of this deed you have given this great occasion to the memories of the Lord to blaspheme.

Mark 11:17 - Jesus said unto them, is it not written, My House shall be called of all Nations the House of Prayer? But you have made it a den of thieves!!!

Black Youth Pulled Over By Police Officer For A "Broken" Tail Light (That Wasn't Broken) — Then This Happened

Princeton, NJ — Members of Black Youth Project 100 (BYP100), a black youth activist organization, recently had a dialogue with a black police officer after being profiled on Princeton University's campus, where they had convened for a conference. Apparently, the driver was pulled over for "a broken tail

light", but upon checking, the tail light was not even broken.

When they questioned him for his actions, the unidentified officer insisted that he wasn't trying to criminalize the black youths and said that his feelings were hurt at the accusation. He

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According to today's stan-

dards, I must look at that "thing"

and not judge it by its appear-

ance. "Why, don't you know,

dear brother, you might offend it

and give it some kind of an inse-

curity complex?" How do I

know but that duck in front of

me will be offended by me call-

ing it a duck? It is the epitome of

insensitivity for me to assume

that I have the right to call a

duck a duck. Who knows, that

particular duck might think it is

a dog. After all, a quack is not

Meanwhile, back at the ranch,

that far from a bark.

our crazy world of uncertainty it Where have all the men in white hats gone? is against the political correctby Dr. James L. Snyder ness of our day for me to say

When I was growing up you Gene Autry, and John Wayne could always tell who the good men were by the white hats they wore. Bad men always wore black hats. That made it rather convenient for those of us who were watching so we knew who would be winning at the end. When you were in trouble all you had to do was look for someone wearing a white hat.

Not only did the good men wear white hats but also they were able to solve every crime within a 60-minute period. How they did it, is anybody's guess.

Today, nobody wears hats, which has introduced a rather confusing element into our society. You can never tell the bad men from the good men. I know the hat does not make the man but it would sure help to identify the bad man from the good man.

I could name them all off. The Lone Ranger, Roy Rogers,

and the list could go on and on. All of these men wore white hats and they all took care of the bad guys in their own way. You could be sure, at the end the good man always won. There was a certain sense of satisfaction knowing that all those bad men paid for their deeds and justice prevailed.

Of course, today we could never do this. There is something called "profiling." And people use this term as though it was a negative thing. "Oh, be careful so you don't profile that person."

Gene Autry always profiled his men and in the end, justice

prevailed. I look at it this way. If it walks like a duck, looks like a duck and quacks like a duck, the chances are pretty high I am looking at a duck. However, in

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St. Matthew Baptist Church News

Church services were well attended at the St. Matthew Baptist Church, 2020 East 14th Street, on Sunday morning, March 30, 2014, where the proud pastor is the Rev. Edward Canady.

Services begun at 10:10 a. m. with Sunday School. Sister Shirley Davis, Supertindent, was in charge. It was a beautiful display teaching and learning by all in attendance. Praise God for the knowledge acquired.

The teacher of the hour was Sister Susie Davis who made all students put on their thinking caps. What a wonderful lesson it was for all to hear.

The Sunday morning devotion was conducted by Sister Arlene Jackson and Sister Susie Davis.

Pastor Canady entered the Church with the Sisters singing "Near The Cross." What a time!

The morning sermon was delivered by the Pastor, Rev. Edward Canady. His subject was "At Thy Word, I Will Step Out On Faith." His scripture text was Luke 5:1-6. It was certaintly enjoyed by all in attendance.

The morning announcements were read by Our First Lady, Sister Shirley Canady. She does a splendid with a lot of enthusi-

The weekly meetings held at St. Matthew Baptist Church are

as following: The Missionary Society

meets on Wednesday evenings at 5:00 p. m.

Bible Study is held on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p. m. Come and study the Word

Choir Rehersal is held on Saturday aftrnoons at 3:00 p. m. Can you sing? If you can then

come out and make a joyful noise to the Lord.

Ushers will meet on Saturday mornings at 11:00 a. m.

The Mission Sisters had a wonderful turn out. Our President, Sister Susie Davis, was very happy. She will tell you they had a marvelous time. Praise God for our Mission Sisters. Keep praying for them as they continue to do God's work.

Let us remember and pray for our sick and shut-in citizens. Remember, your prayers are very important to us. God is able!!!

Thought For The Week: 'The most treasured gift we can give to God is one that He can never force us to give -- Our

Please keep in mind that God is able. No matter the problem!

Love!

74-Year Old Woman Released From Prison After Serving 32 Years For A Murder She Didn't Commit — Thanks to a Couple of Law Students!

Los Angeles, CA — A LA county judge has ruled that 74year-old Mary Virginia Jones, who served 32 years for a murder committed by her abusive boyfriend, will be released from prison. In 1981, she was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for murder, kidnapping and robbery in a fatal shooting.

But apparently it was Mose Willis, her boyfriend, who kidnapped two men and ordered Jones at gunpoint to drive a car to a back alley in Los Angeles, where Willis shot the men.

Before the incident, Jones was a churchgoing woman who worked as a teacher's aide and had never been arrested before.

confusion reigns.

During the last year, I have spent a little bit of time flying from here to there. And the security at these airports defies the intelligence God gave a termite. Going through the line I have to take off my belt, remove my shoes (which come very close to a stink bomb), empty all the pens out of my pocket and submit myself to a body search. Now, they have some kind of electronic gizmo that enables them to see through my clothes. In 10th grade, I dreamed of such a gadget and I am a little provoked it has taken them so long to perfect this.

Two years ago, I traveled from Orlando, Florida to Manila,

When she met Willis, he was homeless, and she took him in because he told her that he wanted to clean up his life. So how did she overturn her conviction? Reportedly, some back again to Orlando . The trip was fine until I tried to re-enter

Southern California's Post-Conviction Justice Project challenged her case, claiming she Continue on Page 5 ous, illegal weapon. The officer

law students at the University of

the United States and upon a luggage search, they discovered I had one of those old-fashioned double blade razors. It was something of an antique that my grandfather gave me 35 years ago. I had been using it to shave ever since. After all these years of shaving with it, it took the intelligence of some security officer to discover this was a highly dangerous weapon. Consequently, I was not allowed to enter the country with it.

I must admit that in 35 years of shaving with it, I had shed a little bit of blood. I never guessed in a million years I was in possession of a highly danger-

who discovered it did not recognize it. When I told him it was a razor used for shaving, he looked at me suspiciously and then said, "Yeah, sure it is, Buster." No amount of explanation could convince him that it was part of my toiletries and he insisted that he confiscate it for the protection of everybody in the United States.

It was a close shave, but they finally allowed me to enter the United States upon the surrender of this highly sophisticated weapon. Only that security officer knows how close this country came to annihilation from an antique man's shaver.

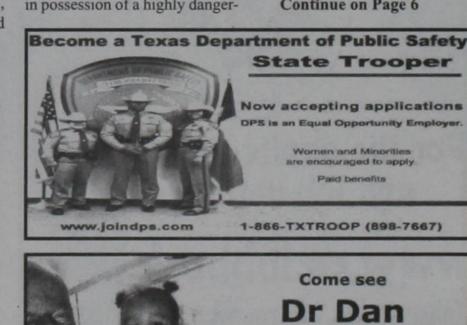
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Obsequies

Marie (Battle) Fisher

Flower Mound, Texas -- A memorial service honoring the life of Marie Battle Fisher was held Saturday afternoon, March 29, 2014, in the Restland Coppell Chapel with Father Joel Watson officiating.

The family of Marie Fisher would like to thank everyone for the love and support shown to them during the loss of their loved one.

Fisher, 93, passed away on Saturday, March 15, 2014, in Flower Mound, Texas.

She was born on February 28, 1921, in Lamar County, Texas, to Zack Battle and Irene (Dawkins) Battle.

Marie was a longtime former resident of Lubbock, Texas, and had been a resident of Euless since 2005. Marie worked in home care for many years and loved working in her yard and gardening. She loved cooking, shopping, and visiting with her church friends and family. She was a special lady of compassion with style and class.

Marie was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Henry Fisher; son, Henry Dee Fisher; siblings, Christine Spencer, Ellie Cross, Mable Lockhart, Charlie Battle, Cleo Battle and Clarence Battle.

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She is survived by her daughter, Margaret Ann Nealy of Euless, Texas; grandchildren, Kelvy Foster of Austin, Texas, Stephanie Hunter of Lubbock, Texas; grandchildren, Shanita Nobles, Kelvy Foster Jr. and Keyala Foster of Hutto, Texas; Jolan Hunter and Ciara Springer of Lubbock, Texas; and numerous nieces and nephews.

11th Annual **Prayer Vigil** Set At St. Luke

The 11th Annual Prayer Vigil will be held Tuesday afternoon, May 6, 2014, beginning at Noon until 2:00 p. m. Rev. J. H. Ford is host pastor.

According to Sister Blanchie Swisher, Director, there will be another dynamic speaker for this

"Prayer is the key to getting things done in life," says Sister Swisher. For more information, call her at (806) 744-4415.



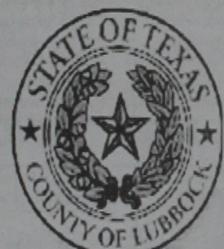
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Petersburg Man Dies In Sacramento, California

Petersburg, Texas -- Funeral services for Samuel Adolphus Cleveland were held Saturday afternoon, March 29, 2014, at Hopewell Baptist Church in Petersburg.

His final resting place will be Petersburg cemetery. Services were under the direction of Griffin Mortuary & Funeral Home of Lubbock.

Cleveland, born February 16, 1962, in Plainview, Texas, At 52, he made his transition on Monday the 22nd of March 2014 at Kizer Permanentae Hospital, in Sacramento, California.



SMH... Charlotte Mayor Arrested After Accepting \$48K in Bribes From Undercover FBI Agents — Then Resigns Hours Later



Mayor Patrick Cannon

Charlotte, NC — Patrick Cannon, the mayor of Charlotte resigned Wednesday just hours after he was arrested on public corruption charges. He is being accused of accepting more than \$48,000 in bribes from undercover FBI agents posing as businessmen who wanted business contracts in the city. He now faces several charges including theft and bribery.

Even worse, the FBI said Cannon accepted money from agents on five separate occasions between this year and last year. Each time, they were posing as investors or real estate developers. The last time was on Feb. 21, 2014, when he allegedly accepted \$20,000 in cash at his office.

Cannon, who is 47 years old, had only been in office just 114 days. He had been elected mayor in November 2013, replacing Anthony Foxx, who was named Transportation Secretary by

President Obama.

If convicted of all charges, he can face up to 20 years in prison and \$1 million or more in

A spokesman for the city of Charlotte said that Cannon had already submitted his resignation letter to the city manager and attorney, and that in his letter Cannon admitted that pending charges "will create too much of a distraction for the business of the city to go forward."

Being that his resignation is effective immediately, Michael Barnes will serve as interim mayor until the City Council appoints a councilmember as the new mayor.

Cannon is one of many African Americans that have served as mayor of Charlotte. The first African American mayor of the city was Harvey Gantt, who was in office from 1983 to 1987.

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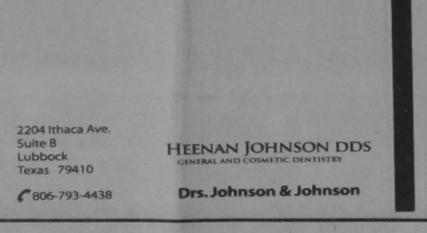
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Ketron Kewain Nathan

Funeral services for Ketron Kewain Nathan were held Saturday morning, March 29, 2014, at the Lyons Chapel Baptist Church with Pastor W. D. Davis, officiating.

Words of Encouragements were given by Bernadette Cooper Price.

Interment was held in the City of Lubbock Cemetery under the direction of The Major Funeral Home & Chapel of Fort Worth, Texas.

On Sunday, March 23, 2014, a son, brother and father, Ketron Kewain Nathan, went home to be with the Lord.

Ketron was born August 13, 1989 to Cassandra (Sandy) Nathan and (Lil) Roy Perkins, Jr. in Lubbock, Texas.

He completed his education in Arlington, Texas where he has lived for the past 12 years.

Ketron leaves behind to cherish his precious memories: his father, Roy Perkins, Jr.; mother, Cassandra Nathan; step-father, Herbert Wesley; brother, A'leke Rainwater; sister, Candice Rainwater; three sons: K'Morian Kwain Chidia Orji-Nathan (Patience Chidia Orji), Kaeshon



Kewain Nathan (Kaescha Mishel Lavergne Roberson) and Keshawn Kewion Nathan (Katerina Harmony Agundiz); grandmothers: Margaret H. Nathan and Nellie Perkins; great-grandmother, Ella Sanders; and a host of aunts, uncles, other family members and friends.

Pallbearers were: Herbert Wesley, Corey Colston, Chris Shepard, Mannix Mooring, Terry Nathan, and Devon

Honorary pallbearers were Joe Sinches and Arris Nathan.

Through Hope, Resiliency and Perseverance, A Young Man Goes From Life On The Streets To A **Real American Success Story**

Columbus, NJ. - Sean P. Hoggs learned at an early age that we cannot allow our socioeconomic background or tough start in life to define who we are - and he should know! At age 16, he set out to change a life riddled with drugs and crime, moving from one friend's house to the next, determined not to end up in jail or, even worse,

The Bastard Child: A Story of Hope, Resiliency and Perseverance (Author House Publishing) is Hoggs' remarkable and longawaited autobiography that tells the compelling story of growing up on the violent inner city streets of Central New Jersey, abused and often homeless. Through hard work, perseverance and fortitude, he became a success and ascended onto the national and international stage through his many humanitarian and mentoring efforts. For anyone trying to overcome personal hardship or dealing with any of life's challenges, this inspiring story is a must read.

Enduring an abusive and turbulent childhood with little chance of ever getting a helping hand, let alone a word of encouragement, would have made it easy for Sean Hoggs to go through life a victim, but this was never an option. Instead, he chose to serve as a humanitarian and mentor, advising at-risk youth that fame and fortune in sports and entertainment is a

highly unlikely prospect while a life filled with love and family is something achievable and worth having - living proof that everyone, regardless of age, race, socioeconomic background, or station in life, can fulfill their dreams through determination, education and hard work.

"It is simply a story of hope," Hoggs says. "After all, the odds are against becoming a professional athlete or music star. However, with an education, the percentages are in your favor to accomplish anything you want

Sean P. Hoggs is a decorated retired military veteran of over 24 years. He has served as both an enlisted service member and commissioned officer (after earning a Presidential appointment for his years of exceptional enlisted service) in the United States Air Force. In 2007 he was named one of the Ten Outstanding Young Americans and is a noted mentor and role model to inner city youth. An internationally recognized humanitarian, he is also proud to be a 2011 Hall of Fame inductee at the Plainfield, NJ High School.

Sean is currently a Senior Aerospace Instructor in his home state of New Jersey, where he lives with his wife of twentyfive years and their son. They have four children in all, ranging in age from sixteen to twentyseven. For more information on

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RELIGIOUS FREEDOM IS A CIVIL AND **HUMAN RIGHT!**

by Dr. Alveda King

"There is a difference between killing the poor and serving the poor." Father Frank Pavone, Priests for Life.

Monday I did an interview on Airing the Addisons with Wil and Meeke discussing the HHS Mandate and Hobby Lobby and Conestoga Woods. Click HERE to listen to that show. http://www.mediafire.com/listen/yt68a1ui78h0546/Alveda+K ing+Pat+Vaughn.mp3

Last week at the Supreme Court of the United States (SCOTUS) involves the lives of every American: yet many are unaware.

Yesterday the SCOTUS heard arguments on two cases, Hobby Lobby and Conestoga Woods, regarding their lawsuits against the HHS Mandate. Fr. Frank Pavone, National Director of Priests for Life, led prayers with other pro-life leaders and religious freedom advocates at a rally in front of the Supreme Court Building in support of Hobby Lobby and Conestoga Woods. Planned Parenthood and others they will be bussing in to rally in favor of the HHS Mandate.

The irony now is that during the oral arguments in the U.S. Supreme Court on Tuesday on whether the contraceptive mandate in the Affordable Care Act violates the free exercise of religion, Justices Sonia Sotomayor and Elena Kagan suggested that employers who have moral objections to birth control should not provide health care coverage for their employees. They even recommended that employers opt to pay taxes to avoid the mandate and even give employees a \$2K raise to buy their own insurance. Does this sound like a socialist agenda?

This is an important question for human and civil rights advocates because much is at stake regarding the Constitutional rights of religious freedom for every American.

Yet another case deals with infringement against religious freedom of non-profit compa-



nies. In our Priests for Life case, I join Fr. Frank Pavone, and Janet Morana as parties to our HHS lawsuit; actually the third in a series filed against the HHS Mandate. The irony is the HHS Mandate seeks to force Priests for Life, an organization that teaches that contraception and abortions are dangerous, life threatening and immoral, to pay for, directly or indirectly, the very injustice that we are fighting against.

Our case is in the appeals process in the DC Circuit court. While the appeal works its way through the appeals process, which can be a lengthy undertaking, we have petitioned the SCOTUS to take up the case because of its "imperative public importance." That petition was heard on Friday, March 28.

Please pray that the SCOTUS will make the right decisions and rule in favor of the Hobby Lobby/Conestga Woods case; that the HHS Mandate is unconstitutional and pray that the SCOTUS agrees that our PFL case is of such "imperative public importance" that it decides to take up the case and give a favorable ruling.

These legal matters raise civil and human rights issue. It is an injustice to rule on the side of death dealing agents such as carcinogenic fertility blockers. My Uncle M.L. fought for civil rights over 50 years ago and the 50th anniversary of the Civil Rights Act is coming up later this year. Yet, in 2014 our government is working against our

May God have mercy and help us, because: CONSTITU-TIONAL RIGHTS, LIKE CIVIL RIGHTS, ARE **WORTH FIGHTING FOR!**

To The Youth of Lubbock, Texas!

The word prison is defined as a place of confinement for convicted criminals or persons awaiting trial.

Custody or confinement is one thing I know is that your mind cannot be imprisonal. Young people make the choice to concentrate on your school work, and apply yourself for future education.

The choice to imprison yourself is a huge mistake and will affect your future. I know the lure of fast money and cars is enticing, but realize there hard consequences to that life style.

The fast life only leads to prison or death. I've heard men in prison say that they are taking a vacation and they will back at

Prison is no vacation! Prison is hard mentally and physically. You have two choices in prison -- you either work or you go to

Why not go to school while you are free and be the best student you can? Because one way or another, you will have to work or go to school. Never imprison your mind. Always stay FREE!!

> Sincerly, Inmate #1802937

74 Year Old Woman **Released From Prison** Continued from Page 3

would not have been convicted if the jury had heard expert testimony about the impact of intimate partner battering, (formerly known as battered women's syn-

After reviewing the case, the Los Angeles District Attorney's office agreed to set aside her convictions if she agreed to plead no contest to voluntary manslaughter. And so she did just that.

She told the judge, "I did not willingly participate in this crime, but I believe entering a no contest plea is in my best inter-

THISTITIAT

by T. J. Patterson

SURELY, WE CAN DO MUCH BETTER BY SUP-PORTING PROGRAMS IN **OUR COMMUNITY! THIS** N THAT was very unhappy over the ATTENDANCE OF TWO PROGRAMS held in our community on Sunday afternoon, March 23rd, which was the 60TH AN-NIVERSARY OF THE FED-

ERATION OF CHOIRS and a very exciting youth program featuring more than 100 BOYS & GIRLS

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ACADEMY on Saturday and Sunday afternoon March 29th & 30th.... In the opinion THIS N THAT believes more of us who reside in East Lubbock should have been in attendance.... Both programs did enhance the East Lubbock Community in a very positive posture..... Of course

..... this will pass away and we can move on.... But for a few moments let's take a look at both efforts..... For the

FEDERATION OF CHOIRS have been meeting every fourth Sunday at various

Black Churches in the East Lubbock Community.... At one time there wasn't enough space to get inside the Greater St. Luke Missionary Baptist Church.... Was not the same this year or last year In regard to the

100 VOICE YOUTH CHOIR shouldn't we stand up for these young people are doing. After all one day they will replace us...... These young people are so talented. A little 6th grade girl told MS. FAYE BROWN the president of Each One Reach One she Continue on Page 6

Former TV Judge Joe Brown Arrested — FOR REAL: For Arguing With Another Judge While in Court

Memphis, TN — Judge Joe Brown, the popular TV court judge, was recently arrested and found in contempt of court. He was sentenced to 5 days in jail for each charge. But what did he do? Apparently, he was defending a woman in Memphis' Shelby County Sheriff's Office who had approached him about her child support case. He kept insisting that the woman's charges be dismissed, but the magistrate asked him to be quiet because he was not a lawyer. When he refused, he was locked

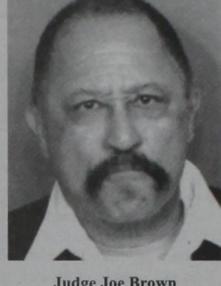
Brown later insisted that the man presiding over the case was not a judge, but rather a lawyer who did not have the authority to do anything more than fine him. However, the courthouse said that the magistrate has the full

authority of the court in sentenc-And so with credit for the time that she already served, Jones was ordered released from prison and her family and supporters joyfully celebrated when

the announcement was made.

Her children say they're just

looking forward to sitting down



Judge Joe Brown

ing.

Brown has since been released and says he felt the arrest was "dirty politics". He commented, "I'm a little hot under the collar. In 40 years, I've never seen such a circus as they've got down there."

Brown, who is now 66 years

at the dinner table with their mother for the first time in more than three decades.

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He then let the group go, and even apologized.

old, starred in his own syndicated reality TV show called "Judge Joe Brown" for 15 years until it was canceled last year. Ironically, just last month he announced his candidacy for the Shelby County district attorney post. Because of the timing, many think what he did was a publicity stunt.

"If it was a stunt, I am a master at doing it. I just happened to by chance run into a woman in need. That's one hell of a thing to be able to pull off," he said. "Considering my ratings and the fact that I've been coming into the homes of just about everybody with a TV set in Shelby County for about 15 years, what was there to promote? Everybody knows who I am."

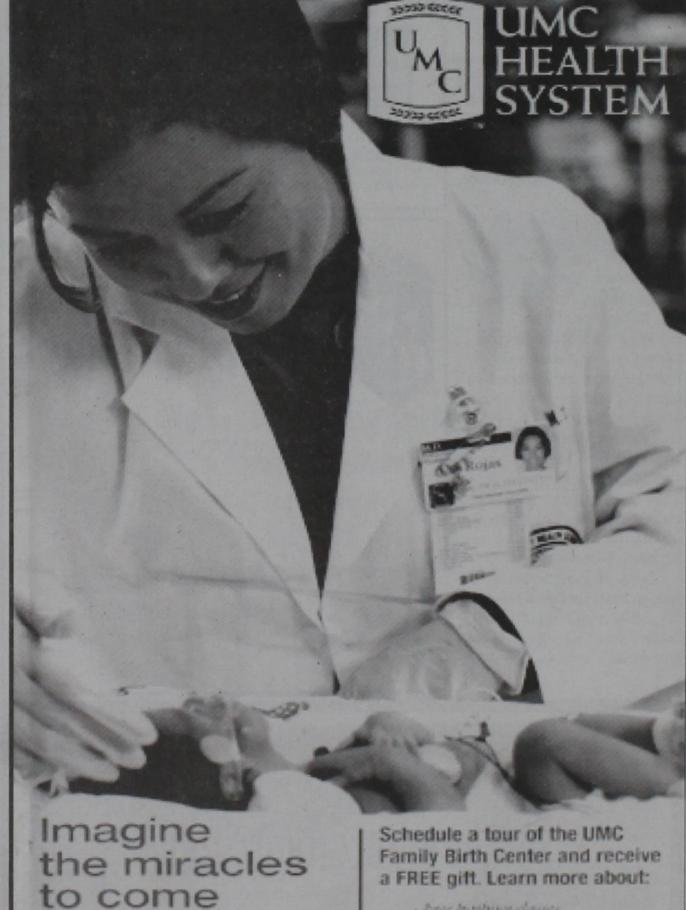
A group of young black people are huddled around the police car, talking to the black officer about what happened. 24-year-old Devin Darrington-Ward tells the officer, "You guys have a responsibility to protect and serve. As black youth we don't feel like we get that level of protection; we don't get that benefit of the doubt ... like regular white students running around Princeton campus [do].'



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How Black Soldiers Did Their Part In World War II

(Editor's Note: Black GIs transported troops, built airstrips and served food, but few served in combat. One of them, Alexander Jordan of St. Paul, Minn., expected to be carrying a weapon but ended up carrying a tune in World War II.)

Alexander Jordan sat in a party room of his St. Paul, Minn. apartment complex, fingering his way back 50 years, sifting through a book he put together to commemorate he achievements of the U. S. Army Negro Chorus.

The book is far more tattered than Jordan's memory.

"Well, let me ask you this," he said, looking up at a visitor with frustrated disdain. "Have you ever heard of B. O. Davis, Jr?"

A mumbled "no" was the re-

"Lt. Gen. B. O. Davis was one of the earliest, highest-ranking black officers," Jordan hissed. "You've got to learn your history, young man."

Jordan, at the time was 78, didn't seem to understand that the history of black military men before and during World War II isn't as well chronicled as that of their white countrymen. He didn't seem to understand that the very book whose pages he carefully turned gives powerful testimony to the fact that in the armed forces of the 1940s, blacks could only be what whites allowed them to be.

Despite the crushing need for manpower, despite the specter of Nazi and Japanese tyranny, most blacks who served during the war were not allowed to participate in combat. They transported troops, built airstrips, served food, cleaned up and -- in Jordan's case -- sang songs.

In September 1942, when Jordan was shipped to England to help his country fight a war. He didn't know then that he'd have more of an impact carrying a tune.

Officially, Jordan's job was to help the men of the 829th Engineer Aviation Battalion build airstrips for bombing runs on Germany.

If then was now, Jordan might have been an officer. He had, after all, graduated from Tuskegee Institute in 1940 with a degree in mechanical industries. He had participated in an ROTC-like cadet program overseen by some of the Army's top officer.

After graduation, Jordan returned home to St. Paul and applied for a commission. Work was scarce, especially for blacks, and the Army, he heard, was looking for officers

was looking for officers.

What Jordan said he didn't know then -- but does now -- is that the Army only wanted so many black officers. Just enough to say it had some.

Months went by as Jordan waited for word on his commission. None came, so in June 1941, he left for Pasadena, Calif., where he had relatives, hoping that he'd find more opportunities for steady work.

Soon after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in December 1941 and the U. S. declaration of war, Jordan's father called him to say the gov-



Alexander Jordan

ernment was trying to reach him.

Jordan, still hoping for that commission, got in touch with the Army. Sign up, he said he was told, and we'll see about that commission.

So that's what Jordan did. But the commission never came, nor did an official rejection of his application.

Instead, he was sent to boot camp at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo., and then to aviation engineering school in Pensacola, Fla.

Jordan's battalion was sent to another base -- he said he can't remember where -- before being shipped overseas to England.

When his battalion traveled by train to the small town of Eye, just outside of Ipswich in southeastern England, Brittons stood in the night and cheered, glad that the Americans were finally arriving.

"They couldn't see through

the windows," Jordan said. "They didn't know we wee black."

White U. S. soldiers stationed in the area soon made sure British civilians understood that.

"White soldiers resented associations between black soldiers and the English people," Jordan said. "They started to tell stories about us, said we weren't humans, that we had tails. Some said we had to drink coffee to keep our color. All those tales were causing friction among the troops."

To ease that tension -- and to show the ever-watchful Nazis that the Allies were indeed allied -- Jordan said the chaplain of his battalion, William Perkins, came up with the idea of putting on a show.

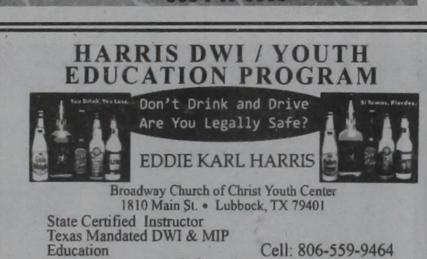
Perkins chose Jordan to coordinate things, and Jordan recruited black men throughout the regiment to sing in the U. S. Army Negro Chorus. Jordan, who had sung in Tuskegee's choir. served as conductor.

The choir t raveled throughout England giving joint performances with the London Symphony Orchestra. Roland Hayes, a well-known black tenor, accepted an invitation to travel with the choir and sing.

Jordan said white officers who previously had no problem with their men joining the choir started raising objections once the choir became well-known. Even Adolf Hitler objected from across the English Channel.

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Of course, looks can be deceiving. People who looked like someone you could trust have perpetrated the biggest frauds in our country. Bernie Madoff comes to mind. Sometimes what you think you are getting you are not really getting.

There is a spiritual application here. Some people may look religious on the outside but God knows what is on the inside.

"But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the height of his stature; because I have refused him: for [the LORD seeth] not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart" (1 Samuel 16:7 KJV).

You can fool everybody in the world, but you cannot fool God. He wears a white hat and always has the last word.

The Rev. James L. Snyder is pastor of the Family of God Fellowship, 1471 Pine Road, Ocala, FL 34472. He lives with his wife, Martha, in Silver Springs Shores. Call him at 352-687-4240 or e-mail jamessnyder2@att.net. The church's web site is www.whatafellowship.com.

ELCCHI Meeting Set For Friday

The TTUHSC SON/ Larry Combest Community Health and Wellness Center, will host the East Lubbock Coalition for Community Health Improvement meeting. The ELCCHI meeting will be held on Friday April 4th (11:30 am – 1:00 pm) in the Harwell Elementary Library (4104 Avenue D).

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Bill Cosby Will Appear In Lubbock Continued from Page 1

the Emmy award-winning Little Bill, which is based on his bestselling book series.

Perhaps Cosby's greatest contribution to American entertainment and culture is The Cosby Show, about a close-knit, upperclass black family. Cosby said his intent was to portray an American family. Time magazine called the show "an encouraging sign of maturity in matters of race." The Cosby Show dominated the No. 1 spot for years, earning nearly unanimous critical praise. Life magazine described the program as "a gentle, whimsical, warmhearted" show whose "delicious ordinariness of its pleasures and tribulations has given millions a fresh, laughtersplashed perspective on their own domestic lives."

"Bill Cosby is a multi-generational comedic genius," said Cory Powell, director and cofounder of Mentor Tech. "You're hard pressed to find someone who has not heard of him. Whether it's from I Spy, Fat Albert, The Cosby Show, or Little Bill, he has the unique ability to connect and relate with people, regardless of background, and still maintain relevance."

Cosby has received the Kennedy Center Honors, the Presidential Medal of Freedom (America's highest civilian honor), the Mark Twain Prize for American Humor and the Marian Anderson Award.

Cosby married the former Camille Hanks in 1964, while she was still a student at the University of Maryland. They raised four daughters (Erika, Erinn, Ensa and Evin) and one son (Ennis) and now have three grandchildren. The family resides in New England.

"Bill Cosby is an iconic figure," said Paul A. Frazier, assistant vice president, Division of Institutional Diversity, Equity and Community Engagement. "I remember watching him as a child and I continue to enjoy him in various roles as an adult. I am

le very excited."

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Tickets for the banquet are \$125 each or \$140 for VIP. Tables of eight cost \$1,000 and \$1,500 for VIP. All VIP purchases include premium seating at the banquet, admittance to the VIP reception and a photo opportunity with Cosby. Proceeds benefit the Mentor Tech scholarship fund.

Mentor Tech is part of Texas Tech's Division for Institutional Diversity, Equity and Community Engagement.

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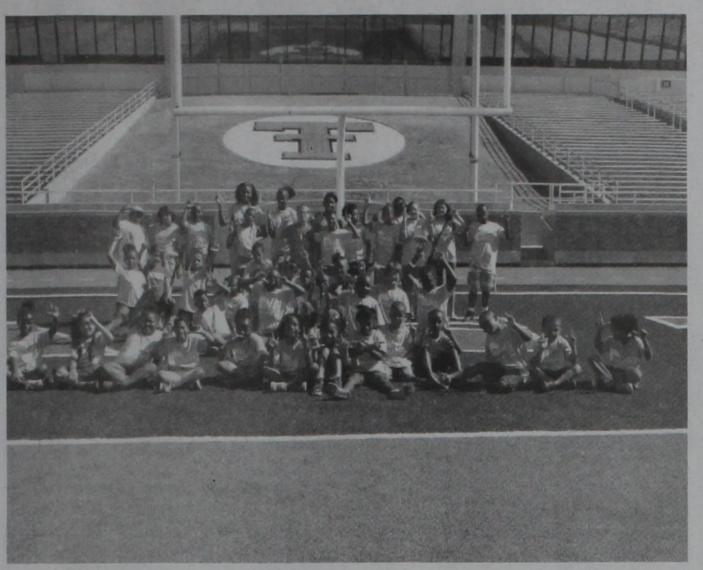
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Mae Simmons Expands Summer Camp



Mae Simmons Community Center would like to help your kids take a bite out of boredom this summer by attending Simmons' Summer Satellite Camp! Registration is underway for the 2014 Summer Camp, and this year's camp is even bigger and better! First, the camp has been extended to include all twelve weeks of summer vacation! In addition, the maximum number of youth has been increased to 80 youth per week, which is 20 more than last year! Whether it's for one week or all twelve, this is a great opportunity for low-income families to provide their children with a safe and quality camp experience!

The camps will be held Monday-Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. from June 2 through August 22. Children should be between the ages of 6 to 12

years, and the cost is \$15 per child/week. As an added benefit, Kids Café with the South Plains Food Bank will provide lunch and snacks each day throughout the camp. Camp activities include arts and crafts, computer time, indoor and outdoor games, swimming, and sports, all centered around a weekly theme. Field trips are included in the weekly fee and include a trip to Jones Stadium, Legacy Play Village, Jump and Jungle, Premiere Cinema and Mr. Gatti's, all adding to the summer fun! Mae Simmons is adding a NEW Summer Reading Program to camp. Mae Simmons, the Lubbock City-County Libraries, and LISD have partnered to provide reading logs and grade level book selections for children to stay on track for the summer. Children will be able to download books in the computer lab and onto e-readers for the summer. If they finish the summer reading program, they will win prizes provide by LISD!

To register, go by Mae Simmons Community and Senior Centers and complete the registration process. A \$20 registration fee is required, which includes the fee for the first week of camp and a \$5 t-shirt fee. Mae Simmons Community and Senior Centers are located at 2003 Oak Avenue. Hours for the Community Center are Monday-Friday from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., and Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Hours for the Senior Center are Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For more information, call (806) 767-2700 or (806) 767-2708. Space is limited, so register today!

IF YOU ARE **NOTA** REGISTERED VOTER, YOU STILL HAVE TIME TO REGISTER FOR THE UPCOMING **CITY ELECTION!!!**

PIANO LESSONS a message or email Avis Patterson (for more information) at: 806-762-3612

Spring Revival Set At New Light Baptist Church

A Spring Revival will be held at the New Light Baptist Church, 3013 Idalou Road, April 13th thru 19th, beginning each evening at 7:00 p. m. Rev. Kenneth Jackson is host pastor.

This Spring Revival will feature the following: Rev. J. J. Johnson, Rev. E. A ustin, Rev. G. Samuels, Rev. A . Sleveland, Rev. Rose, Rev. R. Foster, and Rev. K. Jackson.

LISD Encourages Citizens To Wear Blue

Friday, April 4 - In conjunction with the South Plains Coalition for Child Abuse Prevention (CCAP), Lubbock ISD is encouraging everyone to wear blue on April 4. According to CCAP, an average of four cases of child abuse or neglect are reported every day in Lubbock County. To increase awareness of this problem, April 4, (the fourth day of the fourth month of 2014) has been designated as the day for citizens to wear blue. The goal is for 40,000 people to wear blue on April 4.

LISD contact: Brian Morris, 806-219-0010 / 806-577-3879.

This all city revival is inviting all Choirs of the city. Do come one and come all. Bring yur friends and family members.

We are asking for you to pray fo/r this S pring Revival

Prayer meeting will be held each night. You Prayer is the answer to problems in our way. It will also keep us on the right path, and will help our children.

"Come and you will be revived and blessed with God's word," says Pastor Jackson.

Festival at the Lubbock Memorial Civic Center: Friday, Apr. 11 at 7 p.m., Saturday, Apr. 12 at 2 p.m., and Sunday, Apr. 13 at 2 p.m.

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the great classical ballet works, this comedy of mistaken identity and true love, lovers Franz and Swanhilde are planned to marry when a mysterious beautiful woman going by the name of Coppelia starts appearing in the window of Dr. Coppelius's house, an eccentric inventor who lives in the village. Despite Franz's love for Swanhilde, he becomes hopelessly infatuated with Coppelia and breaks off the wedding. Hurt, Swanhilde decides to break into Dr. Coppelius's house and find out the truth about Coppelia once and for all.

Artistic Director, Yvonne Racz Key, is proud to announce Ballet Lubbock alumnus Michael Burfield will dance the role of Franz. Burfield is a 2009 graduate of Ballet Lubbock, and is

currently dancing professionally with Ballet Austin. "It's always great to bring one of our own back home to dance," says Racz Key. Since joining Ballet Austin, Burfield has been featured in numerous ballets: Bruce Wells' Hansel & Gretel, George Balanchine's Chaconne and in new works created by Barry Kerollis, As a significant selection from Seth Orza, Jonathan Porretta and Kiyon Gaines' 10: "Un" A-Frayed Edges. Burfield was one of the select few dancers chosen by Ballet Austin to perform at the Acco Festival in Israel with the production of Light / The Holocaust & Humanity Project.

Ballet Lubbock Presents Comedic Ballet: Coppelia

Opposite Burfield is Ballet Lubbock Company member Annie Martin dancing the role of Swanhilde. She has also performed the roles of Snow Queen and Arabian in The Nutcracker. In addition to her dance career, Martin upholds prestigious academic achievements during her time at Lubbock High School, such as winning State in the Octathlon and being the highestranking member of her Academic Decathlon team. This is Martin's 4th year in the Ballet Lubbock Company. Lescher will play the role of the maniacal Dr. Coppelius. Many recognize Lescher from his performances on the Texas Tech University Maedgen stage and his regional commercial work. He has also performed on many eminent stages across the country. The role of Dr. Coppelius is Lescher's first appearance on stage with Ballet Lubbock.

Tickets are now on sale through Select-A-Seat. They can be purchased online at www.selectaseatlubbock.com, by calling 806-770-2000 or at any Select-A-Seat location.

Ballet Lubbock's mission is to change lives. As a nonprofit preprofessional ballet school, Ballet Lubbock strives to inspire the community through accessible dance education and performance of the highest artistic caliber. Suzanne Aker founded Ballet Lubbock in 1969. For the last fifteen years it has been led artistically by Yvonne Racz Key. Ballet Lubbock offers over \$30,000 in annual scholarships, donates more than 3,500 tickets to the local community and teaches classes at community centers throughout Lubbock.

The Bastard Child

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Sean or his book, please visit the website: www.seanphoggs.com The Bastard Child: A Story of Hope, Resiliency and

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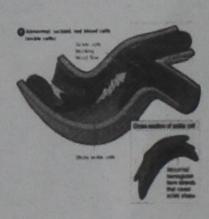
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More Than 6 Million People Have Now Signed Up For Obamacare — Deadline Extended to April 7th

Nationwide — President Obama and the White House have announced that more than 6 million people have signed up for Obamacare (also known as the Affordable Healthcare Act), meaning they have enrolled in the federal and state health exchanges. The announcement was made by the President himself on a conference call with health care navigators and volunteers while he was traveling in Italy. This is actually a big milestone for the administration, as the program has had quite a rocky start since it first launched on October 1, 2013. Initially, there were major web site problems that took weeks to fix. Secondly, there was what seemed to be a lack of interest as enrollment levels remained low. But now the numbers are exploding.

In fact, this past Wednesday alone, more than 1.5 million people reportedly visited the HealthCare.gov web site. That same day, Marilyn Tavenner from the Medicare & Medicaid Services said that their call center received more than 400,000 calls - in just one day alone.

So are uninsured people actually buying health insurance plans?

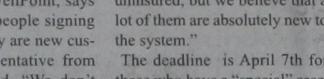
It appears so, but the final



numbers are not in. One insurance company, WellPoint, says that 80% of the people signing up at the company are new customers. A representative from the company said, "We don't

know yet if that means they were uninsured, but we believe that a lot of them are absolutely new to the system."

The deadline is April 7th for those who have a "special" case.



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